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Title:

TRIAXIAL WEAVE FOR REINFORCING DENTAL RESINS

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

In view of the following remarks, applicant submits that all of the pending claims are in

condition for allowance.

Rejection of Claims 1-26 Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) As Being Obvious Over Rudo (U.S. Patent

No. 5,176,951) in View of Silvestrini et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,610,688) or Kapadia et al. (U.S.

Patent No. 4,816,028), and Further in View of Head (U.S. Patent No. 6,250,193) With or

Without Akahane et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,962,550)

The Examiner argues that it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, at

the time of the instant invention, to utilize the triaxial braided or woven fiber configuration

taught by Silvestrini et al. or Kapadia et al. in the invention of Rudo to yield the present

invention. The Examiner further argues that, although the Figure of Rudo does not show a

detailed structure; however, the cross-section looks like a triaxial configuration.

Attached hereto as Attachment A is the Declaration of David Rudo (hereinafter "the

Rudo Declaration") who is the inventor of both the present invention and the invention disclosed

in U.S. Patent No. 5,176,951 (hereinafter "the '951 patent"). As set forth in paragraph 2 of the

Rudo Declaration, the '951 patent does not disclose a triaxial material. A triaxial material is not

used in the practice of the invention disclosed in the '951 patent.

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